

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims

Claims 1-19 are pending in the application.

Claims 1-19 remain in the application.

Claims 1-10 and 15-19 are as previously presented or as previously amended.

Claims 11-14 are currently amended.

During the prosecution of the PCT application from which the present application stems, the Applicant has amended the nine originally filed claims and has added new claims 10 to 19 in response to the Written Opinion. Later, following a phone conversation between the PCT Examiner and the Applicant's agent of record, the Applicant has further amended certain claims, namely claims 11 to 14, in order to make the claim numbering more coherent. More particularly, the Applicant has switched claim 11 with claim 12 and vice versa and has further amended claims 13 and 14 to correct the claim dependency. However, during the entry into national phase which occurred on April 27, 2006, the Applicant unfortunately forgot to indicate the status identifiers of each claim.

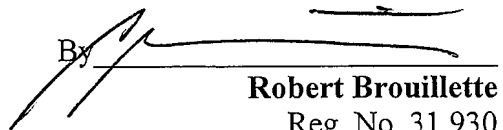
In order to make the claims compliant with the proper amendment practice, the Applicant is hereby respectfully submitting claims 1 to 19 which have been provided with their respective status identifier.

Claims 1 to 19 should now be fully compliant.

Respectfully submitted,

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